ABSTRACT

An application which automatically routes digital content to secondary devices overcomes the traditional problems present with downloading content to secondary devices. The digital content preferably includes file types such as movies, music, images, or anything else that

5   might be stored on a secondary device like an MP3 player or a video recorder. Initially the user must download digital content from a server to the user's computer or set-top box. The routing application compares the file types or alternatively, meta data, of the downloaded content with set values that determine where the content is routed. When the secondary devices are coupled to the computer, the application determines, based on its current settings, which file type is routed

10   to which secondary device and then distributes the files to the appropriate device.